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BAPTIST CONVENTION  
OF OREGON AND WASHINGTON,  
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OREGON BAPTIST STATE S. S. CONVENTION.

The above named Conventions held their annual meetings in conjunction with the Baptist Church of Albany, Oregon, beginning June 25, 1877.

Their annual meeting had not been sustained, and their work had fallen into neglect, to some extent, if not entirely. At this meeting, the question of perpetuating the Convention and sustaining its work, was warmly discussed. It was determined to re-organize the two Conventions, forming them into one new Society ; and a committee was appointed to draft a Constitution. The committee consisted of Rev. J. C. Baker, Chairman: A. W. Kinney, W. C. Johnson, B. F. Dorris, Revs. R. Thompson, Rev. J. T. Huff, Rev. C. W. Rice, Rev. R. C. Hill, Rev. G. J. Burchett. This committee reported a Constitution, which, after some amendments, was adopted, and is published with these Minutes. The name of the new organization, as provided in the Constitution, was The Baptist Missionary and Educational Society of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and B. C.

Organization under this Constitution was effected by

electing Rev. C. W. Rees, Pres.; Hon. Henry Warren, Vice Pres.; Hon. W. C. Johnson, Sec.; Hon. B. F. Dorris, Treas.

The following *Boards* were elected :

*Board of Mission*.—A. W. Kinney, Henry Warren, W. C. Johnson, R. Thompson, B. F. Dorris, David Hurst, G. J. Barbour.

*S. S. Board*.—C. W. Rees, A. J. Hunsaker, W. H. Latourette.

*Educational Board*.—G. J. Burchett, John Connor, R. C. Hill, A. W. Kinney, W. C. Johnson.

The next meeting was appointed to be held at McMinnville, the last Thursday of Oct. of the present year, according to the Constitution. Rev. G. J. Burchett was appointed to preach the annual sermon, with Rev. C. W. Rees as alternate. Afterwards the Society was adjourned.

NOTE.—This statement was prepared and entered upon the records of the Society, by its order, at the first annual meeting at McMinnville, Oct. 25, 1877. It is published with these *Minutes* as per similar order at the second annual meeting at Oregon City, Oct. 31, 1878.

S. C. PRICE, Secretary.

## SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES

OF

# First Annual Meeting.

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Pursuant to adjournment, the Baptist Missionary and Educational Society for Oregon, Washington, Idaho and British Columbia, met in annual session with the Baptist Church at McMinnville, Oregon, 25th of Oct., 1877, at 10 o'clock, A. M., and was called to order by Hon. Henry Warren, Vice President. After singing and prayer, S. C. Price was chosen Secretary, *pro tem.*; after which, the Society proceeded to enrollment. After enrollment, officers were elected as follows:

Pres., Rev. J. C. Baker, of Salem; Vice Pres., Rev. A. S. Coats, of Portland; Sec., Rev. S. C. Price, of The Dalles; Treas., David Hurst, of McMinnville.

The preacher of the annual sermon and alternate, both being absent, the preaching of the annual sermon was adjourned. Committee on Order of Exercises was appointed. Society adjourned to 2 o'clock, P. M.

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2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Society was called to order by the President. After devotional exercises, the report of the Committee on Order of Exercises was submitted and adopted.

Vice President in the chair. Bro. Baker, for the chairman of the Board of Mission, present the report of the Board. Following this report, the election of the Boards of the Society, was in order. Revs. A. J. Hunsaker, J. T. Huff, E. Russ, were appointed a committee to nominate

said Boards. The committee retired, and the Society engaged in a season of prayer for the guidance of the Holy Spirit. The committee then reported, which, after amendment, was adopted as follows.

*Board of Mission.*—J. C. Baker, A. S. Coats, N. W. Garretson, A. W. Kinney, David Hurst, Mrs. J. T. Huff.

*Educational Board.*—G. J. Burchett, S. C. Price, A. W. Kinney, John Connor, D. W. Williams.

*S. S. Board.*—Rev. E. Russ, Mrs. Henry Warren, Mrs. M. A. Hurst.

A. J. Hunsaker, E. Russ and S. Hill, were appointed a Committee on Printing Minutes. Adjourned to 7 o'clock, P. M.

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7 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Society was called to order by the President. After devotional exercises, Rev. A. S. Coats, of Portland, preached the Missionary sermon. Text, Isaiah 40, 3. Following the sermon, was a discussion of the report of the Board of Missions, after which, pledges for the Missionary work were taken, amounting to \$312. Adjourned to 9 o'clock, to-morrow.

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OCTOBER, 26th, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Society met and was called to order by the President, after a season of devotional exercises.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and corrected. The President announced the following Committee on next Anniversary: J. Beezley, D. Hurst and T. W. Boardman.

The report of the Committee on Printing Minutes, was submitted as follows:

Your committee, to whom was referred the publication of the Minutes of this meeting, recommend as follows :

1st. That the Secretary of the Society be instructed to prepare a brief history of the change of the State Convention and State S. S. Convention to the present organization.

2d. That this history, together with the Minutes of the present meeting, be furnished the *Evangelist* for publication.

3d. Would further recommend the monthly publication of the BAPTIST BEACON, and that the Minutes, in a brief form, be published in the next issue of the same.

E. RUSS, Chairman.

Article 1st was amended to provide for the procuring of a suitable record book by the Secretary, in which the Minutes and history shall be transcribed, and then adopted. Article 2d was laid on the table. Article 3d, was referred to a committee, consisting of G. J. Burchett, J. T. Huff, S. C. Price.

Adjourned to 3 P. M., to give place to the Woman's Missionary Meeting.

4 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Board of Trustees of McMinnville College being in session when the appointed hour for convening the Society arrived, the Society was not called to order until 4 o'clock.

Brother Coats was called to the chair. The report of the Committee on Publication of the Baptist BEACON, was submitted and adopted, as follows :

Your Special Committee on Publication, submit the following report :

We recommend,

1st. The publication of a Missionary sheet, to be called the BAPTIST BEACON.

2d. That it be published by the Mission Board of this Society.

3d. That its design shall be to disseminate missionary intelligence and foster the missionary and educational spirit among our churches.

4th. That it be published monthly.

5th. That the Mission Board appoint one of their members to supervise its publication.

G. J. BURCHETT, Chairman.

Adjourned.

7 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Society was called to order by the President. The Committee on Order of Exercises made supplemental report. Rev. S. C. Price, of The Dalles, then preached the Educational Sermon. Text, Mark 4, 28, last clause. Following was a discussion of our educational work.

The Committee on next Anniversary, reported as follows: Place of meeting, Oregon City; preacher of annual sermon, S. C. Price; alternate, J. C. Baker; report adopted. Adjourned.

OCTOBER 27, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Society met, and in the absence of President and Vice President, was called to order by the Secretary. A. J. Hunsaker was chosen President, pro tem. Brother David Hurst offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

*Resolved*, That all moneys belonging to this Society, accruing from whatever source, after defraying necessary expenses, shall belong to the fund of the Missionary Board of this Society.

The Society engaged in a discussion of our missionary work until the hour for preaching arrived; when Rev. J. W. Osborn preached from 1 Cor., 12:21.

Adjourned.

2:30 P. M.

The Society was called to order by President pro tem. The session was given to the S. S. programme. The following topic being presented: "The Bible the Word of God—How Teachers may sustain and teach this, essay, Rev. E. Russ. "Plan to secure Collections in all our S. S.," address, Mrs. J. T. Huff. "Relations of the Church to

the School," address, Rev. J. T. Huff. Each topic was given a general discussion. Adjourned.

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7 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Society was called to order by the President pro tem. S. S. programme was continued. "Plan to secure in full the S. S. Statistics of the State."—Presented in an address by Rev. G. J. Burchett, followed by general discussion. "Plan for organizing and sustaining Mission School." Address by Miss Lizzie Baker, followed by discussion.

Notice was given of proposed amendment to the Constitution. The chairmen respectively, of the Mission Board, Educational Board and S. S. Board, were made a Standing Committee of Arrangements to prepare and circulate programmes for each annual meeting of the Society. The Minutes of the Ladies' Missionary Meeting were ordered entered upon the records of the Society. Adjourned.

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SUNDAY SESSION, 11 A. M.

Rev. S. C. Price preached from 1 Samuel, 15, 23. After the sermon, the ordinance of baptism was administered at the water by pastor Hunsaker. At 7 o'clock, p. m., Rev. G. J. Burchett preached from Rev. 22, 17. "And let him that heareth say come."

J. C. BAKER,

*President.*

S. C. PRICE,

*Secretary.*

MINUTES  
OF THE  
SECOND ANNUAL MEETING  
OF THE  
BAPTIST MISSIONARY & EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY  
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OREGON, WASHINGTON, IDAHO AND B. C.,  
HELD WITH THE  
*Baptist Church at Oregon City, Oct. 31st and Nov. 1st  
and 2d, 1878.*

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Pursuant to adjournment, the Baptist Missionary and Educational Society of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and British Columbia, convened for its second annual meeting with the Baptist Church at Oregon City, Oregon, Oct. 31, 1878, and was called to order by the President, Rev. J. C. Baker, of Salem, at 10 o'clock, A. M. Sang, "Come, O my soul, in sacred lays." Rev. C. W. Rees led in prayer, after which, the Society spent a season in prayer, for the divine blessing upon our work. Brethren Jas. Wells, J. C. Baker and W. E. N. James led the congregation in prayer.

On motion of Rev. A. S. Coats, the annual sermon was deferred, and the Society proceeded to the enrollment of delegates. Revs. Jas. Weller and A. S. Coats, were appointed tellers. The following members were enrolled: (Absentees marked with \*.)

*Central Association.*—Rev. C. Sperry, Rev. J. W. Osborn.\*

CHURCHES.

*Portland.*—Rev. A. S. Coats, Mrs. M. A. Mitchell, Miss L. A. Mitchell.

*Oregon City.*—Rev. J. T. Huff, Hon. W. C. Johnson, L. D. C. Latourette.

*Gervais.*—Rev. Jas. Wells.

*Salem.*—Rev. J. C. Baker, A. W. Kinney, Mrs. A. W. Kinney.

*Albany.*—Mrs. Amelia Fisher.

*Eugene City.*—Rev. S. C. Price, Rev. C. W. Rees, Mrs. L. L. Bailey.\*

*Corvallis.*—Rev. J. I. Taylor.

*Oak Creek.*—Rev. F. M. Long,\* Rev. C. H. Mattoon.

*McMinnville.*—Rev. A. J. Hunsaker, Rev. G. J. Burchett, Mrs. Nellie Warren.

*Pleasant Butte.*—Thomas Hill.\*

*West Tualatin.*—Mrs. Sarah H. Roberts.

*The Dalles.*—Joseph Beezley.

*Puyallup, W. T.*—Rev. J. Wichser, Mrs. R. A. H. Wichser.

*Centerville, W. T.*—Rev. W. E. N. James.

*Seattle, W. T.*—C. Clymer.

*Shiloh.*—R. R. Eubank,\* William T. Miller,\* — Day.\*

*Life Member.*—Rev. A. J. Hunsaker.

*Annual Members.*—Mrs. J. T. Huff, John M. Prichard, J. Casto, Rev. J. C. Richardson, Mrs. Amelia Fisher, Mrs. C. M. Kester, Rev. T. W. Spanwick, Rev. J. Gwoon Jew.

After the enrollment, the Society proceeded to ballot for officers for the ensuing year, with the following result: Pres., Rev. A. J. Hunsaker, of McMinnville; Vice Pres., Rev. J. C. Richardson, of Oakland; Secretary, Rev. S. C. Price, of Eugene City; Treas. A. W. Kinney, of Salem.

The programme as provided by the Standing Committee of Arrangements and published in the *Baptist Beacon*, was read and adopted, subject to amendment as the Society may order.

On motion, the annual sermon was postponed until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

The following Committee on Religious Exercises, was appointed : Rev. J. T. Huff, F. O. McCown, A. W. Kinney.

On motion of Rev. A. S. Coats, the following Committee was appointed to nominate the Boards of the Society : A. S. Coats, G. J. Burchett, Joseph Beezley, James Wells, A. J. Hunsaker.

On motion of Rev. C. H. Mattoon, the following Committee on Publication of Minutes, was appointed : C. H. Mattoon, C. W. Rees, S. C. Price.

On motion of Rev. J. C. Baker, a Committee on Obituaries, was appointed as follows : Rev. J. C. Baker, Rev. J. C. Richardson, Mrs. Amelia Fisher.

Adjourned to 2 o'clock, P. M.

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2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Society was called to order by the President. Sang, "All hail the power of Jesus' name." Prayer by Dr. J. Casto.

The report of the committee to nominate the Boards of the Society was submitted, and after discussion, referred back to the committee.

The Sunday School programme being the order of the hour, and Brother Coats not being present, Rev. J. C. Baker was called out for remarks. He responded in a few timely remarks, in which he urged the importance of giving more thought and prominence to our Sunday School work.

Rev. A. S. Coats then read an able and interesting paper on "How to teach Bible doctrine."

The hour having now arrived for the preaching of the annual sermon, the congregation sang, "Salvation, Oh, the

joyful sound." Rev. Jas. Wells, of Gervais, read the 4th Chapter of 1 John, and led in prayer. Rev. S. C. Price, of Eugene City, then preached the annual sermon; text, 1 John, 4th Chap., 4th verse. After the sermon, the congregation sang, "Stand up, stand up for Jesus."

The S. S. programme was resumed. Brother T. P. Hackleman not being present, Rev. W. E. N. James offered some excellent remarks on the next topic, "How to Organize and Sustain Sunday Schools in Destitute Places." This topic was further discussed by Revs. J. C. Baker, C. H. Mattoon, J. B. Jones, J. Wichser.

On motion of Rev. J. C. Baker, a Committee of Three was appointed to consider and report on Sunday School contributions to aid in the support of our Colporteur Missionary. Brother Baker, Mrs. Nellie Warren and Miss L. A. Mitchell, were appointed such committee.

Adjourned to 1 P. M., after prayer and benediction by Rev. W. E. N. James.

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7 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Society was called to order by the President. Rev. J. I. Taylor, of Corvallis, led in prayer. The congregation sang, "Stand up, stand up for Jesus."

The Committee on Devotional Exercises, reported as follows, which report was adopted: Devotional exercises to-morrow from 9:30 to 10, led by Rev. C. Sperry; 10 to 12, business as per order of exercises; 12 to 2, recess; 2 to 4, business as per order of exercises.

The S. S. sermon being the order of exercises, Rev. G. J. Burchett read Deut. 6th chap., 1st to 16th verse, and led in prayer. The congregation sang, "I love to tell the story." After the song, Rev. James Wells, of Gervais, preached the S. S. sermon. Text, Deut. 6, 6-7. After the

sermon, the congregation sang, "See, as a gentle shepherd stand." Following the sermon, was a general discussion of the S. S. work, opened by Hon. F. O. McCown, of Oregon City, and continued by Brethren J. C. Baker, C. H. Mattoon, C. W. Rees, W. E. N. James, J. B. Jones, F. O. McCown.

On motion of Brother Baker, the President appointed Rev. C. H. Mattoon Statistical Secretary.

The report of the S. S. Board was read and adopted. (See report.)

Adjourned to 9:30 o'clock to-morrow, with prayer and benediction by Rev. S. C. Price.

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#### NOVEMBER 1st, 9:30 A. M.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. C. Sperry, of Brownsville, continuing until the time for convening the Society, when it was called to order by the President. Rev. A. S. Coats led in prayer.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

Rev. A. S. Coats, Secretary of the Board of Missions, presented the annual report of the Board. (See the report.) A motion for its adoption was offered by Rev. Jas. Wells, and seconded. While the motion was pending, addresses were made by the Missionaries of the Board, relative to their work on the field.

Rev. J. C. Richardson, senior missionary, was introduced by the President, and gave a very interesting account of his work, speaking of the destitution of the field, the willingness of the people to receive the word of life, and the universal kindness with which he had been received wherever he had gone in the work of the Society.

Before the next missionary was called on, the President

introduced Rev. H. W. Brown, the Evangelist, who, in response, spoke briefly of the necessity of mission work on this field.

Rev. W. E. N. James, Colporteur Missionary in W. T., was next introduced, who gave a very encouraging account of his work, in visiting places of greatest destitution, carrying the word of life where it had been comparatively unknown, and organizing Sunday Schools where nothing was doing in the direction of teaching the Word of God.

The congregation stood and sang, "O happy day that fixed my choice."

Rev. J. T. Huff, the last appointed Missionary of the Board, was now introduced, and likewise gave a very encouraging account of his work. He had been but a few months in the field, and had been most of this time in B. C., where a new church at New Westminster had been organized under most encouraging circumstances. He also gave a touching account of the hungering for the word of life among some of the Indians in B. C., and earnestly appealed to the Society to take measure as soon as possible to send a missionary among them.

Rev. J. C. Baker moved that the report of the editor of the *Baptist Beacon* to the Board of Mission, be referred to a Committee of Three, of which Rev. S. C. Price shall be chairman. The motion prevailed, and Revs. Jas. Wells and C. W. Rees, were appointed the additional members of the committee.

On motion, so much of the above mentioned report as refers to the finances of the *Beacon*, was referred to the Auditing Committee of the Board of Mission.

Then the report of the Board of Mission was adopted.

After singing, "Shall we whose souls are lighted," the Society adjourned with benediction by Rev. J. T. Huff.

2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Society was called to order by the President. The congregation sang, "I love the kingdom, Lord." Rev. T. W. Spanswick, of Cal., led in prayer.

The report of the Educational Board was presented, and its adoption moved and seconded. (See report.)

While the motion was pending, the hour arrived for preaching the Educational sermon. The congregation sang, "My hope is built on nothing less." Brother Burchett read Job, 28th chapter. Brother Brown led in prayer. The congregation sang, "Tell me the old, old story." Pres. G. J. Burchett, of McMinnville College, then preached the educational sermon. Text, Eph. 4, 13. "A perfect man." Sang, "Arise my soul, arise."

The motion to adopt the report of the Educational Board prevailed.

Revs. C. H. Mattoon, C. W. Rees, Jas. Wells, were appointed a Committee on next Anniversary.

The Society adjourned with benediction by Rev. G. J. Burchett.

7 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Society was called to order by the President. The congregation sang, "Go preach the blest salvation." Rev. J. T. Huff led in prayer.

The Vice President, Rev. J. C. Richardson, was called to the chair.

Communications to the Society, one from the Baptist Church at Victoria, B. C., another from Rev. S. E. Stearns, of Colfax, W. T., were then read by the Secretary.

Rev. S. C. Price read the 62d chap. of Isaiah. Rev. J. C. Richardson led in prayer. The congregation sang, "Ye Christian heralds, go proclaim." Rev. A. J. Huns-

ker, of McMinnville, then preached the Missionary sermon. Text, John 17, 18. The congregation sang, "From Greenland's icy mountains." Rev. G. J. Burchett led in prayer.

The Committee on Printing the Minutes, submitted their report, which, after discussion, was laid on the table.

As per notice given at the last annual meeting of the Society, Rev. S. C. Price moved to amend Article 1 of the Constitution so as to read as follows :

Article 1. This organization shall be called The Baptist Convention of the North Pacific Coast. Its territory shall embrace Oregon, Washington, Idaho and British Columbia. Pending the discussion of this motion, the Society adjourned, after singing, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," and benediction by Rev. H. W. Brown.

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Nov. 2d, 9 A. M.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. T. W. Spanswick of Cal., after which, the Society was called to order by the President.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and corrected.

The motion to amend Art. 1, of the Constitution being before the Society, the amendment was adopted.

The Committee on next Anniversary, submitted the following report, which was adopted ; Place of meeting, Brownsville ; preacher of annual sermon, Rev. W. E. N. James ; alternate, Rev. Jas. Wells.

The report of the Committee on Sunday School Contributions was presented and adopted. (See report.)

By consent, Pres. Burchett addressed the Convention in behalf of McMinnville College.

The report of the Committee on Printing the Minutes, was taken from the table and adopted. (See report.)

The report of the Committee on the *Baptist Beacon*, was presented and adopted. (See report.)

A motion was adopted providing that churches that have elected delegates to the Convention, whose delegates have not been in attendance, shall be entered on the minutes as being represented in the Convention, with the absence of their delegates indicated.

The report of the Committee on Nomination of the Boards, was submitted and adopted as follows :

*Board of Missions.*—R. C. Hill, Albany; A. J. Hunsaker, McMinnville; Jas. Wells, Gervais; David Hurst, McMinnville; J. C. Baker, Salem; A. S. Coats, Portland; A. W. Kinney, Salem.

*Educational Board.*—C. H. Mattoon, Albany; F. O. McCown, Oregon City; Joseph Beezley, The Dalles; S. C. Price, Eugene; G. J. Burchett, McMinnville.

*Sunday School Board.*—F. M. Long, Lebanon; T. P. Hackleman, Albany; L. C. Rice, Albany,

The following resolutions were adopted :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of our entire denomination on the North Pacific coast are due to the A. B. P. S. for the depository of books made in our midst, and for the liberal donations which have been made to many churches and Sunday schools in this field ; and to Rev. J. C. Baker, the Society Distributing Agent, for the liberal and judicious manner in which he has performed the work which the Society has committed to him ; and we recommend our churches and Sunday schools to order their supplies of him.

*Resolved*, That we are grateful for all that the A. B. H. M. S. has done and is now doing on this vast and important field, and that we respectfully urge the brethren of the Executive Board to extend their work on the North Pacific coast as rapidly as possible, believing that in no part of their field is their help more needed, or encouragement for a liberal expenditure of money greater.

*Whereas*, Preaching the gospel to every creature is, pre-eminently, the work which Christ has committed to his people.

*Resolved*, That we are in hearty sympathy with every effort to carry the gospel to those in darkness.

*Resolved*, That we regard with greatest favor the labor which the christian women of our land, and especially those of our own denomination, on the territory of this Convention are doing in this direction, and that we will give them every encouragement and assistance in our power to establish and extend their work.

*Resolved*, That we regard the work of Christian Education as second to none in vital importance to our denominational interests.

2d. That we consider the outlook of our educational work as most encouraging.

3d. That we consider Pres. Burchett of McMinville College as the man for the place, and that the Baptists of Oregon and of this entire field should rally to his support and make McMinville college such an institution of learning as the growing demands of our denomination require.

The Convention adjourned with prayer and benediction by Brother Baker.

8 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention was called to order by Vice President. Rev. T. W. Spanswick led in prayer.

On motion of Rev. J. C. Baker, its officers were ordered to proceed at once to incorporate this Convention.

The Convention ordered the Secretary to draw the following order on the Treasurer:

For the necessary expense in printing and distributing minutes, in favor of A. G. Walling, for printing, \$14.50.

In favor of Rev. A. S. Coats, for blank certificates for return transportation, \$2.50.

In favor of S. C. Price, for a record book for the use of the Secretary of Convention, \$2.75.

By vote of the Convention, the Secretary was ordered to include in the minutes those of the Woman's Missionary meeting held in this place during the session of this Body.

On motion of W. Carey Johnson, the Convention voted to instruct their S. S. Board to hold a general S. S. Institute during the year at such time and place as they may determine, the Secretary to notify the members of said Board of this action of the Convention.

The Convention voted that an advertisement of McMinville College, also of the *Baptist Beacon* and of the A. B. P. S., be inserted on the cover of the minutes.

The committee on religious exercises, reported as follows:

Bible Reading this evening at 7 o'clock, by Rev. H. W. Brown; preaching to-morrow, at the Baptist Church, Rev. S. C. Price; at the Congregational Church, Rev. A. S. Coats; at the M. E. Church, Rev. C. W. Rees.

The minutes of the session of the day were then read and approved. The Baptist Convention of the North Pacific Coast adjourned its second annual meeting, to meet with the Pleasant Butte Church at Brownsville, Linn Co., Oregon, on the last Thursday of October, 1879.

S. C. PRICE,  
*Secretary.*

A. J. HUNSAKER,  
*President.*

NOTE.—Interesting services were held Saturday evening, and on Sunday, as provided for in the report of the Committee on Devotional Exercises. The meeting of the Convention was, on the whole, highly interesting and profitable. Differences of opinion prevailed on some minor matters; but nothing disturbed, in the least, the spirit of unity and brotherly love.

SECRETARY.

## REPORTS.

### *Report of the Board of Missions.*

The second annual report of the Mission Board of the Baptist Missionary and Educational Society of Oregon. Washington, Idaho and British Columbia :

DEAR BRETHREN OF THE SOCIETY: You Mission Board beg leave to submit the following account of their transactions, together with a brief synopsis of the work performed by our Missionaries, as their report for the year for which they were elected to this service:

Immediately on our election, we met in the Chapel of McMinnville College, Oct. 25, 1877.

After prayer by Brother David Hurst, our organization as a Board was effected in the choice of Rev. J. C. Baker, of Salem, as President, Rev. A. S. Coats, of Portland, as Secretary, and Brother A. W. Kinney, of Salem, as Treasurer. After a careful canvass for a Missionary to send into the ripening harvest, the choice fell upon Rev. J. C. Richardson, of Eugene City. His salary was fixed at eight hundred dollars per year, payable quarterly—his necessary traveling expenses met from the funds of the Board. It was resolved to contract no debts, and to stop the work on one month's notice should not the necessary funds be forthcoming. Brother Baker was requested to take charge of the publication of the *BEACON*, and also to inform Brother Richardson of his election as our general Missionary. It was decided to hold public meetings in connection with our Board meetings, and thus to interest our people as far as possible in the great work of home evangelization.

The Board adjourned to meet in Portland, Nov. 15, 1877.

At this meeting, held in the pastor's study of the First Baptist Church, Brother Baker announced that Brother Richardson had decided to enter upon the missionary work; and copies of their correspondence was ordered on file. Prolonged discussion was held as to what the General Missionary policy of the Board should be, and it was universally concluded that the crying needs of the entirely destitute portions of our destitute field, should first be answered, as far as possible, by our missionaries—that they should seek to lay foundations for churches where none exist, rather than act as evangelists in helping pastor's of churches already established. Brother N. W. Garretson was requested to draw up a statement setting forth this policy, for publication in the *BEACON*. As our Missionary has to draw his salary quarterly, it was resolved to urge our churches to contribute quarterly to his support, and one appointed in each Association to bring the matter before the churches. Brother Richardson was present at this meeting and did good service in the public meeting held at the same time—speaking at length upon the topic: "My Views of the Work." He went directly from the meeting to Lane county, where he began his missionary labors proper. It was voted that the missionary year should begin Nov. 15th, and that the Board should hold its meetings quarterly.

The Board adjourned to meet with the Baptist Church in Turner, Feb. 12, 1878.

At the meeting of the Board, Brother Richardson was also present, and presented his first quarterly report, which showed that God had been with

him in his labors, and was smiling upon the work undertaken. The Secretary was instructed to embody an abstract of this report in his report of the meeting, to the BEACON. It was decided that justice to all concerned, required our missionaries to distribute their labors over the entire field, as far as this could be done consistent with an economy of time and expense. The public meetings held in connection with the meeting of the Board were of an interesting character, and it is believed were productive of good.

The Board, after transacting its usual routine business, adjourned to meet in Salem the second Tuesday in May.

For the greater convenience of its members however, the fourth meeting of the Board was held in Portland on May 20th. At this meeting the second quarterly report of Bro. Richardson was read, showing a vast amount of work performed with encouraging success. An abstract of this report also appeared in the BEACON. It was resolved to present our missionary work at each of the coming Associational meetings, and persons chosen to do the same. The president was instructed to prepare blank pledges to be used through the Associations for securing money for the missionary work. Rev. W. E. N. James was appointed colporteur missionary to labor in the South-western parts of Washington Territory, at a remuneration of twenty-five dollars per month, and instructed to secure the entire amount, if possible, on the field of labor. It was voted to recommend the officers of this society to secure the incorporation of the same as soon as possible.

The Board adjourned to meet during the session of the Willamette Association at Salem.

Pursuant to adjournment this Board met at Salem June 22d. At this meeting, so encouraging were the reports from the Associations of the deep interest on the part of all our churches in our missionary work, and so liberal their pledges, that your Board felt justified in electing Rev. J. T. Huff as our second general missionary, at a salary of eight hundred dollars per year and traveling expenses. Bro. Huff entered upon the work on the ninth day of July, and has spent most of his time ever since then in Washington Territory and British Columbia with manifest tokens of the Divine approval. Brothers Baker and Coats were instructed to prepare blank reports for the use of our missionaries, and their reports were called for on the 1st of January, April, July and October of each year. Realizing the necessity of developing as far as possible the grace of giving among our people; and also the necessity of having as large a proportion of our funds as possible from the places where our missionaries labor, they were instructed to take collections for the work wherever they held meetings. This instruction, as has also been all the instructions of your Board to our missionaries, is to be interpreted as advisory rather than imperative—the missionaries themselves being, in all cases, the final judges as to when and how they can best serve the Master. The Board adjourned to meet at the call of the chair.

The final meeting of the Board was held yesterday, October 31st, in the basement of this church. The treasurer's report was presented and Rev. G. J. Burchett and Bro. F. O. McCown requested to audit the same. We refer this Society to that report for information in regard to our financial status.

The report of Bro. Baker as Editor of the "Beacon" was also presented, and this Society will doubtless wish to listen to the same.

The statistical reports of our missionaries for this year present the following facts, though they by no means adequately set forth the work performed by them:

No. of sermons preached.....	338
" " exhortations delivered.....	94
" " churches organized.....	1
" " Sunday-schools.....	9
" " baptised.....	25

Amount collected for missionary work.....\$312.29.  
Expenses in traveling.....\$94.47

Many churches that were rent by divisions have been united and set to work again for the Master; many back-sliders have been reclaimed and the good seed of the kingdom sown in many hearts, the fruit from which no man can estimate. God alone knows the final and complete results of their labors. We believe these results are and will be glorious. The Board recommend that the work be continued on the same basis for the ensuing year. Grateful to God for the humble part we have been permitted to bear in this great undertaking, we resign our trust to the Society from whom we received it, praying that our successors may have wisdom and grace to prosecute the work with still greater vigor and success.

Respectfully submitted,

A. S. COATE,  
Secretary of the Board.

### *Report of the Editor of the Baptist Beacon.*

*To the Missionary Board of the Baptist Missionary and Educational Society :*

DEAR BRETHREN: I take pleasure in submitting for your consideration, the following report concerning the publication of the BAPTIST BEACON: When the first copy was issued, September, 1877, it was for the purpose of awakening our people to the importance of attending the annual meeting of the Society to be held at McMinnville in October following. Its success in this particular, coupled with the evident necessity for some medium of communication between our people on this large and important field, induced the Society at its last annual meeting, to order its issue by the Board for the entire year, and your choice of myself to edit and manage its publication followed.

Under your direction, I have issued and circulated monthly, 1000 copies. They have been mailed each month to every church and minister on our field whose address I could obtain. To the present date, there have been issued and distributed, in round numbers, 13,000 copies. Most of the churches have responded with clubs, and many with individual subscriptions, which, with some few donations, have paid for the entire issue and left at date of report, 70 cents in favor of the paper.

In the editorial and business management of the paper, I have done the best I could under the circumstances, and the draft upon my time and strength, has been of no insignificant character. My eldest daughter has rendered very material aid in mailing nearly the entire issue, and also in writing for the paper.

To the best of my ability and judgement, though with many defects, which I feel sure the Board will, in kindness, overlook, I have tried to keep in view the entire work of the Society, Missionary, Educational and Sunday School.

From all parts of the field, we have received unexpected encouragement, both personally and by letter, of deep and growing interest in the paper and our work, and I am persuaded that among the agencies used during the year for promoting the interests of the Society, and uniting our people in the one great work, the BAPTIST BEACON has borne a very conspicuous part, and perhaps has been an indispensable agency.

From many of the brethren, and from all parts of the field there seems to be a demand for the enlargement and more frequent publication of the BEACON. I call your attention to this demand, and suggest that its consideration be in open session, and that great caution be exercised upon this point. I think it a necessity to our work that its publication be continued, and incline to the opinion that to double its size and still publish it

monthly, would probably be best, fixing its price at 75 cents in clubs of five, and \$1.00 to single subscribers.

Thanking the Board, and all the brethren and churches, for their hearty co-operation and kindly consideration, I most respectfully submit this my report.

J. C. BAKER.

SALEM, Oct. 30, 1878.

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### *Report on Colporteur Work.*

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**Report of Committee on S. S. Contributions to aid in the support of our Colporteur Missionary.**

We recognize the hand of God in calling to the Colporteur work, under appointment of our Board of Missions, Rev. W. E. N. James. We are grateful that he has been signally blessed of God in the organization of seven Sunday Schools in very destitute places, and having access to many families who have heretofore deprived their children of the word of God.

Recognizing the hand of God in this work and the fitness of our brother for it, we therefore most earnestly recommend that each of our Sunday Schools take a collection monthly, or quarterly, if it cannot be done monthly, to aid the Board of Missions in the work.

We also recommend that the Board continue the service of Brother James, if it be possible to do so.

J. C. BAKER,  
MRS. NELLIE WARREN,  
MISS S. A. MITCHELL,  
Committee.

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### *Report of the Educational Board.*

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We have everything to encourage us in our Educational Work as a denomination. Our college at McMinnville opened very favorably the present year. The number of students has been steadily increasing, and at the present time, over fifty are in attendance. From the applications for admission already made, many more are expected. The class room work is now going on quite to the satisfaction of the teachers.

A class in Theology has been established, and three young men, who are preparing for the ministry, have begun a course of Theology in connection with their other studies.

The young men have started a College Literary Society, which bids fair to be of great help to our work.

We are not prepared to report on the financial condition of the college further than to say that it owes no debt.

We are much encouraged to find so many friends coming to the aid of our college. We wish to say:

1st. That things are now very favorable for our denomination to push to final and permanent success the educational work of our State. God seems to be smiling upon the efforts of our people in this direction. But there is much, very much, hard work to be done yet. Therefore,

2d. We would urge the necessity for our people to become a unit in this work. This work should reach the heart of every Baptist on this entire field. By a united effort, our college can be made an institution that shall be equal to all the demands of the people, and second to no other in our country. And we believe the time is at hand when, by the grace of God, this work ought to be done.

3d. We wish to call the attention of our people to things which our college needs, and which we believe God requires of us for this work.

First. That we pray for its prosperity as a means for glorifying God in leading the young in the right direction.

Second. That we send our children there to be educated.

Third. That we talk for it. Let the people know that we have a college—one that we love and are determined to make succeed.

Fourth. That we aid this institution with our means.

Respectfully submitted,

G. J. BURCHETT,  
S. C. PRICE,  
A. W. KINNEY,  
JOHN CONNOR,  
D. W. WILLIAMS,  
Committee.

### *Report of the Sunday School Board.*

We have secured the preaching of a few sermons on Sunday School Work by different brethren. We tried to secure complete statistical reports from all our Sunday Schools on our field, but in this we only partially succeeded. While we believe there is a growing interest in this work, there is not such an interest as the cause demands.

Better preparation on the part of many teachers is much to be desired. How to secure this should be carefully considered, and if possible, answered during our present meeting. But we should remember that the best plan will fail without patient, persevering labor.

Teachers' Institutes, if they could be had and conducted by those who understand the art of teaching, would be a great help in this respect.

The BAPTIST BRACON for June gives the statistics as far as secured.

REV. E. RUSS,  
MRS. NELLIE WARREN,  
MRS. M. A. HURST,  
Committee.

### *Treasurer's Report of the Woman's Missinnary Society.*

#### *Donations received to date from June 1878:*

Willamette Association.....	\$ 19 35
Corvallis Association.....	10 25
May Ballard, of Eugene City.....	1 00
Eugene City Circle.....	13 75
The Dalles Circle.....	5 00
Salem Circle.....	6 00
Salem Children's Band.....	30 50
McMinnville Circle.....	9 00
McMinnville Children's Band.....	12 00
Oregon City Circle.....	10 00

#### *THANK OFFERINGS.*

Oregon City Circle.....	4 50
Mrs. Henry Warren.....	10 00
Mrs. T. W. Chandler.....	5 00
Mrs. S. E. Roberts.....	3 00

Mrs. Sarah Adams.....	3 00
Friends in McMinnville.....	3 00
Mrs. J. C. Baker.....	1 00
Mrs. Dr. Jessup.....	1 00
Mrs. A. W. Kinney.....	2 50
Mrs. A. S. Coats.....	2 50
Mrs. R. H. Wichser.....	50
Mrs. Amelia Fisher.....	50
James Thayer, of Oregon City.....	5 00
Collection for Minutes.....	4 15

Total.....\$162 50

MRS. A. S. COATS.

PORTLAND, Or., Nov. 4, 1878.

### *Report of the Committee on the Beacon.*

Your committee to have under consideration the report of the editor of the "BAPTIST BEACON," submit the following report :

1st. We regard the BEACON as indispensable to the successful prosecution of our work.

2d. That the manner in which Brother Baker has conducted the paper, meets our hearty approval, and that we recommend the Board of Missions to continue him in the editorial and business management of our paper.

3d. We recommend that the Convention order the enlargement of the BEACON, and that its issue be continued monthly, as suggested in the editor's report.

S. C. PRICE,  
Chairman.

### *Report of the Committee on Printing.*

Your committee having under consideration, the subject of printing the minutes, beg leave to report the following recommendations :

1st. That one thousand copies of the minutes of this meeting be printed and distributed among our churchers, and that the Secretary have charge of this work.

2d. That a brief account of the reorganization of the "Baptist Convention of Oregon and Washington," and of the "Oregon Baptist State Sunday School Convention," and the merging of them into the present Convention, be published with the minutes.

3d. That a synopsis of the minutes of the annual meeting of this Convention, held at McMinnville, beginning Oct. 25th, 1877, be likewise published with the minutes.

4th. That the Constitution of the Convention be published with the minutes.

5th. That a collection be taken to provide funds for defraying the expense of such publication.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. MATTOON,  
C. W. REES,  
S. C. PRICE,  
Committee.

### *Report of the Committee on Obituaries.*

Elder James Magers was born in West Virginia, June 1, 1824. Moved with his father to Ohio, in 1839; and in the year 1842, made a profession of religion, and joined the Baptist church, in which he sustained his membership until his death. About the year 1861 or 1862, he was ordained a minister of the Gospel, by a council convened with the first French Prairie church, and discharged pastoral duties for said church at sundry times, and occasionally preached for other churches till his Master called him home to rest from his labors. He departed this life Feb. 3d, 1878.

Elder Reuben Dickens was born in Montgomery county, Va., Jan. 31, 1799. Removed to Tenn. in 1831, and from thence to Mo. in 1828. He came to Oregon in 1848. He became a member of the Baptist church in 1845, and was ordained to the ministry in 1850. He was an active laborer in the Baptist cause during our early history in Oregon; but his feeble health rendered him comparatively inactive during the last year of his life. He died Sept. 3d, 1878, in the hope of a blessed immortality.

Elder Richard Miller died at his son's residence near Turner, Marion county, Oregon, Sept. 8, 1878, aged 80 years, 5 months and 6 days.

Mr. Miller crossed the plains in 1848, and settled in Yamhill county a few miles from McMinnville. He went to Cal. in 1849, for the benefit of his wife's health; returned to his home in 1851, and continued to reside there until his wife's death in 1863. Since then he has lived among his children. Father Miller, as he was familiarly called, had been a member of the Baptist church for 50 years, and an ordained minister for 48 years of that time. Few men of his opportunities was better able to defend the faith than he. He knew what it was to suffer affliction. For the past 35 years, he was never entirely free from pain. Four sons and two daughters mourn his loss, and two children have "gone before." Peace to the ashes of Father Miller, and all honor to the memory of the pioneer at rest.

Rev. H. G. Davenport died at his home in Eugene City, of paralysis of the blood after an illness of 41 hours, Sept. 8th, 1878. Deceased was a native of Ohio. He moved to Iowa, where he lived and labored in the ministry for a number of years. He went to California in 1865, and continued his residence there until his removal to Oregon in 1875. During his residence in Oregon his home was in Eugene, where he labored for a time as pastoral supply. As a christian and as a minister he was full of zeal for the Master, and anxious for the salvation of souls. He was stricken down when away from home, and was utterly helpless and unconscious to the last. He had been in excellent health just before his illness, and was prosecuting his usual business with accustomed vigor when stricken down. Truly the ways of God are inscrutable.

J. C. BAKER, Chairman.

### *Report of the Treasurer of the Missionary and Educational Society.*

A. W. KINNEY, Treasurer,

*In account with MISSIONARY AND EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY.*

Dr.

October, 1877, \$56.  
To Old State Convention, 10 00; collection by Rev. J. C. Baker,  
46 00

56 00

November, 1877, \$25 50.	
To Mrs. J. T. Huff, 2 50; David Hurst, 2 50; David Lynch, 2 50 Henry Warren, 2 50; Mrs. Warren, 5 00; A. J. Hunsaker, 2 50; Lizzie J. Baker, 2 50; J. C. Baker, 2 50; David Lynch, 1 00; N. W. Sarebom, 1 00; Wm. Arthur, 1 00.....	25 50
December, 1877, \$25 50.	
To Elizabeth Cashion, 50 cts.; W. Cary Johnson, 2 50; F. O. McCowan, 2 50; Mrs. M. A. Hurst, 2 50; Pilot Rock Church, 10 00; E. Russ, 5 00; Boardman, 2 50.....	25 50
January, 1878, \$101.	
To Heppner Church, 6 50; Olympia Church, 10 00; Rev. Price, 2 50; Mrs. Price, 2 50; Mr. Wyatt, 1 25; J. Heezely, 2 50; Coquille Church, 9 00; J. T. Huff, 2 50; W. C. Johnson, 2 50; F. O. McCowan, 2 50; Union Church, 5 00; T. W. Boardman, 2 50; Mrs. Coozine, 2 50; A. J. Hunsaker, 2 50; A Friend, 1 00; J. H. Henderson, 2 50; David Hurst, 2 50; Mrs. M. A. Hurst, 2 50; Jno. Fleming, 1 00; Portland Church, 27 25; Union Church, 10 00.....	101 00
February, 1878, \$20.	
To James Chenoweth, 20 00.....	20 00
March, 1878, 36 64.	
To Dayton Church, 2 00; J. H. Teale, 3 64; Oakland Church, 15 00; Pleasant Butte Church, 16 00.....	36 64
April, 1878, \$15.	
To South Yamhill Church, 7 50; Unknown, 5 00; H. Warren, 2 50	15 00
May, 1878, \$23 00.	
To T. W. Boardman, 2 50; Oak Creek Church, 7 00; Rev. A. J. Hunsaker, 2 50; F. O. McCowan, 2 50; W. C. Johnson, 2 50 J. M. Saulsbury, 50 cts.; Unknown, 2 50; Dallas Church, 3 00	23 00
June, 1878, \$540 45.	
To Portland Church, 27 50; Mrs. P. W. Chandler, 3 50; Victoria Church, 3 00; Rev. J. H. Teale, 1 00; Deacon C. Bishop, 1 00 Deacon Bailey, 1 00; Mr. Pierce, 1 00; Mr. McNaughton, 1 00 Mr. Hanis, 1 00; Mr. Chesterfield, 1 00; Mr. and Mrs. Scriber, 50 cts.; Mrs. Kingsbury, 25 cts.; Mr. Litchfield, 50 cts.; L. S. Bates, 1 00; George, 1 00; Jung Gwoon Jew, 25 cts.; A. W. Kinney, 20 00; P. Johnson, 50 cts.; Wm. Holcomb, 1 00; Mrs. Dunham, 50 cts.; Mrs. Townsend, 25 cts.; H. L. McNary, 1; Mrs. E. Kinney, 10 00; Unknown, 5 10; Rev. Dong Gong, 50 cts.; S. R. Jessup, 10 00; Chinaman, 1 00; John Roberts, 50 cts.; L. D. C. Latourette, 20 00; Mrs. L. D. C. Latourette, 8 00; J. B. Jones, 2 00; A. W. and Virginia Kinney, 250 00; Alice Malone, 50 cts.; Mrs. R. C. Hill, 50 cts.; Mrs. Mitchell, 50 cts.; Mrs. A. W. Kinney, 50 00, $\frac{1}{2}$ for support of Rev. Gwoon Jew; J. J. Shaw, 20 00; J. W. Morrill, 50 cts.; Mrs. J. W. Morrill, 50 cts.; Collections, 15 50; F. O. McCowan, 5 00; Sarah Mc- Cowan, 2 50; E. Russ, 5 00; Rev. J. C. Baker, 5 00; Salmon Creek Church, 10 00; Alice Hartmus, 10 cts.; Corvallis Asso- ciation, 42 50; Mr. Laughery, 5 00; T. H. Boardman, 2 50;....	540 45
August, 1878, 24 75.	
To Brush Prairie Church, 11 75; Oysterville Church, 3 25; Center- ville Church, 5 50; Dallas Church, 4 25.....	24 75
September, 1878, 13 65.	
To Mrs. N. Warren, 5 00; Springfield Church, 5 65; L. S. Bates, 1 00; Rev. Ludlow 1 00; Mr. Mitchell, 1 00.....	13 65
October, 1878, \$3 05 50.	
To Wm. F. Warmouth, 12 75; Eugene Church, 12 50; Collection at Turner's Station, 10 60; H. Shelton, 1 00; Mrs. Day, 50 cts;	

Mrs. Clark, 50 cts.; Mrs. Rutherford, 1 00; Joseph Beezely, 7 50; R. Harness, 5 00; A. Mc Crusa, 2 50; J. W. Hunt, 10 00; R. E. Cobertson, 2 00; H. M. Martin, 5 00; David Hurst and wife, 5 00; John J. Clark, 1 00; F. O. McCowan and wife, 7 50; A. S. Coats, 25 75; W. V. N. James, 3 00; Rev. W. E. N. James, 1 00; Rev. J. Casto, 1 00; Rev. J. C. Richardson, 1 00; John M. Prichards, 1 00; Mrs. Amelia Fisher, 1 00; Puyallup Church, 1 50; Dalles Church, 2 50; C. Clymer, 1 00; Oak Creek Church, 4 00; W. E. N. James, 50 cts.; Pleasant Butte Church, 3 00; Forest Grove Church, 9 00; Amity Church, 15 00; Joseph Bevins, 3 00; Mrs. Cozine, 5 00; Rev. Hunsaker, 2 50; Mrs. Warren, 5 00; W. C. Johnson, 2 50; Collection Oregon City, 3 00; Oak Creek Church, 3 00; McMinnville Church, 4 00; Joseph Beezely, 3 00; Oregon City Church, 4 00; C. Clymer, 3 00; Forest Grove Church, 1 00; A. S. Coats, 5 00; S. C. Price, 4 40; Wm. Thornton, 2 50..... 205 50

November, 1878, \$18 50.

To Wm. Thornton, 2 50; B. C. Agee, 10 00; Maria Merriman, 1 00; Fair Oaks Church, 5 00..... 18 50

Collections reported by Missionary Richardson and Huff, \$548 22.

To Pleasant Butte Church, 21 12; Deacon H. N. Hill, 5 00; Wm. Cochran, 5 00; Liberty Church, 5 50; Mr. Edwards, 2 50; Nancy Brown, 1 50; Collection Smithfield, 7 10; Corvallis Church, 8 00; Deacon Black, 10 00; Mrs. Black, 2 50; George Porter, 2 50; Albany Church, 10 00; Albany Church Collection, 7 00; Eugene Church, 24 00; Collection at Turner, 50 cts.; Mr. Conner, 5 00; Corvallis Church, 10 60; Albany Church, 6 50; Mrs. Rainwater, 2 50; Elder James, 1 00; Oakland Church, 7 00; Fair Oaks Church, 27 50; Dr. Pruett, 5 00; Deacon Margon, 2 00; Colfax Church, 7 50; Dayton Church, 6 00; Mount Pleasant Association, 23 50; Bluff Station Church, 4 10; John Miller, 5 00; J. M. Pruett, 2 00; Elder Pruett, 3 00; C. W. Thomas, 2 00; Mrs. L. Goldson, 1 50; Collection at Antelope, 4 50; Rogue River Association, 22 10; Wm. Howard, 2 50; Mrs. A. West, 1 50; Mrs. Jane McGee, 5 00; Fair Oaks Church, 2 50; J. Barnard, 15 00; Martha J. Kirby, 2 50; Oakland Church Collection, 1 50; Collection at New Westminster, 22 20; Collection at Seaback, 11 75; Congregational Church at Seattle, 2 50; Skagit River Collection, 6 75; Mrs. Gage, 2 50; Victoria Church, 4 50; Stilafumish Flats, 4 50; Deacon Spots, 1 00; J. H. Teale, 50 cts.; Deacon Slugart, 1 00..... 348 22

Total.....\$1453 71

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November, 1877, \$4 00.

By Rev. J. C. Baker, 4 00.....\$ 4 00

February, 1878, \$117 25.

By J. T. Huff, 5 00; Rev. Coats, 6 00; Rev. J. C. Baker, 1 00; Rev. J. C. Richardson, 100 25..... 117 25

April, 1878, \$30.

By Mileng: Ticket, 20 00; Ticket O. S. N. Co., 10 00..... 30 00

June, 1878, \$164 60.

By Cash Book, 2 50; Rev. J. C. Baker, 13 00; Rev. J. C. Richardson, 144 10; Rev. J. Gwoon Jew, 5 00..... 164 60

August, 1878, \$82.

By Rev. J. T. Huff, 25 00; W. E. N. James, 31 00; J. Gwoon Jew, 20; Rev. J. \_\_\_\_\_, 6 00..... 82 00

September, 1878, \$15 40.	
By Rev. J. C. Baker, 13 40; W. E. N. James, 2 00.....	15 40
October, 1878, \$13 75.	
By W. V. W. James, 13 75.....	13 75
November, 1878, \$795 38.	
By Blanks, etc., 2 00; S. C. Price, 2 50; R. R. Ticket for Rev. J. T. Huff, 15 00; Rev. E. W. James, 76 50; Rev. J. T. Huff, 122 98; Rev. J. C. Richardson, 216 52; Rev. J. C. Richardson, 11 66; Rev. J. C. Richardson, 1st Quarter, 111 75; Rev. J. C. Richardson, 2d Quarter, 67 60; Rev. J. C. Richardson, 3d Quarter, 111 70; Rev. Huff, 1st Quarter, 67 20.....	795 38
By Balance on hand.....	231 33
Total.....	\$1453 71
SALEM, Dec. 1, 1878.	A. W. KINNEY, Treasurer.

*Sunday School Statistics.*

SCHOOL.	SUPERINTENDENT.	ADDRESS.	No. Officers	No. Teachers	Pup's	Total.	Conversions	Months school pr. year
Albany.....	L. C. Price.....	Albany.....	5	3	7	62	4	12
Ashland.....	J. C. Nott.....	Ashland.....	4	5	7	58	.....	12
Portland.....	J. N. Dolph.....	Portland.....	5	17	144	106	.....	12
Mt. Olivet.....	J. C. Canterbury.....	Sumner.....	5	4	41	50	.....	10
Perrydale.....	T. C. Neice.....	Perrydale.....	4	5	50	58	.....	.....
North Yamhill.....	W. E. McCutcheon.....	Carlton.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Alta S. S., Pioneer Church.....	S. Simpson.....	Pilot Rock.....	4	3	20	27	5	12
Zion.....	Hiram Statton.....	Moscow, I. T.....	3	5	50	58	.....	.....
McMinnville.....	J. J. Colford.....	McMinnville.....	4	8	62	74	1	12
Whitell's S. H.....	— Barnes.....	Orting, W. T.....	3	4	30	37	.....	.....
Elhi S. H.....	Miss Annie Weller.....	Puyallup, W. T.....	2	4	30	46	.....	.....
Puyallup.....	Miss Emma Weller.....	Puyallup, W. T.....	3	5	35	43	.....	12
Pine Creek U. S.....	L. L. Hill.....	Pine Creek, W. T.....	4	4	47	55	.....	.....
Jackson U. S.....	H. M. Kennedy.....	Glencoe.....	4	6	40	56	.....	.....
Ch-ch-is Station.....	Miss Annie Nichols.....	Chehalis, W. T.....	4	5	24	33	.....	.....
Highland.....	W. H. Farlow.....	Highland.....	4	6	30	40	24	12
Victoria.....	J. H. Teale.....	Victoria, B. C.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Westminster.....	J. Willan.....	New Westminster, B. C.....	4	5	27	36	.....	.....
Pleasant Bottle.....	H. R. Powell.....	Brownsville.....	3	5	40	48	.....	12
Oak Creek.....	John W. Gay.....	Albany.....	.....	9	95	106	.....	12
Oregon City.....	W. F. Brayton.....	Oregon City.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clackamas M. S.....	A. W. Kinney.....	Salem.....	3	8	85	98	.....	12
Salem.....	B. F. Dorris.....	Eugene City.....	3	6	131	140	.....	12
Eugene City.....	— McKinney.....	Oakland.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12
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ABSTRACT.—S.—2. H.—, School House; U. S., Union School; M. S., Mission School. These Statistics are very imperfect. Probably one principal reason for this is, that the effort to secure them was not made in time. This table does not include one fourth of our schools. C. H. MATTOON, Statistical Sec.

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PROCEEDINGS  
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**State Society for Women's Work in Missions.**

SATURDAY, 10 O'CLOCK, A. M.,  
November 2d, 1878.

In connection with the Baptist Missionary and Educational Society, a Woman's Missionary meeting was held, being the first session of the State Society for Woman's Work in Missions. In the absence of the President, Mrs. L. L. Bailey, the meeting was called to order by the Secretary. Mrs. J. C. Baker led in prayer, after which, the sisters sang, "Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove."

A motion was made, and unanimously carried, that Mrs. Baker preside as President of the meeting.

Mrs. Baker having recently visited San Francisco and communicated personally with the officers of the Pacific Coast Society, felt prepared to represent their desires, saying the General Society will endorse all our work, as an independent State organization, if we would send our money through this General Society.

A very interesting communication from Mrs. Conro in behalf of the Pacific Coast Society, was read by the Secretary, urgently appealing the sisters of Oregon to remain auxiliary to that Society, feeling a separation would greatly retard the progression of the cause of missions on the entire coast; and as they have labored prayerfully, doing all they could to create new interests and advance the work, a motion was made by Mrs. J. T. Huff, "That the Woman's Baptist Missionary Society of Oregon, remain

auxiliary to the Woman's Society of the Pacific Coast." Seconded by Mrs. Laughary.

This being an unexpected subject, but few of the sisters felt prepared to take part in the discussion. There was some opposition. An amendment to the resolution was offered by the Secretary, "That we would co-operate with that Society the coming year, upon the condition that they publish the Treasurer's report of moneys received and forwarded from the North Pacific Coast, in the "Helping Hand." The amendment was adopted.

The Secretary was instructed to correspond with the Executive Board of the Pacific Coast Society, and report the decisions of the sisters of Oregon.

The meeting then adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M. At 2 o'clock, the Society was called to order by Mrs. J. C. Baker. About fifty members were present.

The meeting was opened by singing, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," followed by reading from the Scriptures by Mrs. Baker, and prayer by Mrs. Amelia Fisher of Albany.

Mrs. McCown, of Oregon City, welcomed the sisters in behalf of the church circle by reading a very interesting letter from that auxiliary.

Mrs. Warren read letters from various circles and mission bands, which were full of interest and encouragement, expressing earnest desires to share in the work of christian elevation for heathen women. Three mission bands and five circles were reported.

A very instructive and eloquent essay upon the Necessity of Woman's Work in Missions, was read by Mrs. F. O. McCown.

An essay from Miss L. A. Mitchell, upon the Influence of Mission Work upon Christians, was listened to with much interest.

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Mrs. Warren addressed the women upon the Importance of Sustaining a State Society, and gave brief extracts of the work of Rev. Mr. Clough in Tilugee.

Mrs. Laughary followed with a brief recital of Reminiscences of personal acquaintance with Mr. and Mrs. Clough, which was listened to with great interest.

A report was made by Mrs. A. S. Coats, State Treasurer, from circles and thank offering fund for Mrs. Clough, showing an aggregate of about \$160 on hand, to be forwarded immediately to the General Society.

Mrs. Baker addressed the meeting with words of encouragement; also relating a few of the early trials and struggles of the Ongole Missionaries, previous to Mr. Clough entering that field.

A collection was taken up towards defraying expenses of minutes.

After singing "The Morning Light is Breaking," and benediction by Rev. A. S. Coats, the meeting was dismissed. The sisters dispersed, some with newly awakened impulses, and many with renewed zeal, believing that God would honor our efforts with his blessing, and the work of our Divine Master will grow, and the multitudes of perishing pagan women will be uplifted to the rank of christianity.

MRS. HENRY WARREN,  
State Secretary.

### To the Baptists of Oregon, W. T., B. C., and Idaho.

At the annual meeting of the "Baptist State Convention for Oregon and Washington Territory," held with the First Baptist Church of Albany, June 26, 1877, the Constitution of the Convention was revised, and the name of the Society was changed to read as follows:

#### ARTICLE I.

This organization shall be called the Baptist Missionary and Educational Society of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and British Columbia.

#### ARTICLE II.

The object of this Society shall be to promote, foster, and sustain the Missionary and Educational work of Baptists on this field. It shall seek to unite our entire denomination in sustaining missionaries, aiding feeble churches, promoting Sunday School work, and building up the cause of christian education.

#### ARTICLE III.

This Society shall be composed as follows:

1. Annual members, who shall become such by contributing one dollar annually, to its funds.
2. Life members, who shall become such by the payment of twenty dol-

lars, at one time, or by four consecutive annual payments of five dollars each.

3. Each church of our denomination, contributing annually, to the funds of this Society, shall be entitled to representation in its annual membership by three delegates.

4. Each Baptist Association co-operating in the work of this Society, shall be entitled to three annual members.

#### ARTICLE IV.

The officers of this Society, shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. They shall be elected at each annual meeting of the Society, by ballot by a majority vote, and shall discharge the duties incumbent upon such officers.

#### ARTICLE V.

This Society shall hold its annual meeting beginning on the last Thursday of October, at such place as may be determined by the Society from year to year.

#### ARTICLE VI.

At each annual meeting of this Society, a Board of Missions shall be appointed, consisting of seven members, who shall have charge of the general missionary work of the Society, including the raising and disbursement of funds. Four members of this Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

#### ARTICLE VII.

All missionaries under appointment of this Society, shall be members in good standing of Baptist churches. They shall be required to teach and develop, on their respective fields, the missionary spirit, the support of the ministry, and the importance and value of systematic benevolence, and make quarterly reports of their work to the Board of Missions.

#### ARTICLE VIII.

At each annual meeting of the Society, there shall be appointed a Sunday School Board, consisting of three members, who shall have charge of the Sunday School work of the Society. They shall arrange to hold Conventions and Institutes, as the Society may direct, and shall provide a programme to occupy two sessions of the annual meeting of the Society.

#### ARTICLE IX.

At each annual meeting of this Society there shall be appointed an Educational Board, of five members, who shall have charge of the educational work of this Society, in co-operation with the Board of McMinnville College. This Board shall arrange to occupy one session of the annual meeting of the Society in the interest of christian education.

#### ARTICLE X.

Each of these several Boards shall be permitted to adopt such measures as may be necessary to secure the co-operation of other Societies in carrying forward our work. Provided that such measures shall not, in any wise, abridge the independence of this Society.

#### ARTICLE XI.

Each of the foregoing Boards shall make a full report of its work to the Society at its annual meeting.

#### ARTICLE XII.

The officers of this Society, together with the members of the several Boards, shall hold their offices until their successors are appointed by the Society.

#### ARTICLE XIII.

This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting, by a two-thirds vote, provided notice of said amendment shall have been given at the annual meeting next preceding.

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